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THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.

would be of little use; but fortunately the European residents do not rely on such aid. No hint of any actual trouble reaches us up to the time of writing, and we trust that our neighbours passed through the New Year festivities in the usual state of quiet and rejoicing. Canton is a panic centre, but the evidence of those who have traversed the country between that city and our own borders on the mainland during the past few days is that all is perfectly peaceful. It is possible that the Chinese authorities are only making use of easily raised fears to gain some private end, and in this connection we would point to what we wrote on Saturday with regard to the men arrested here last week.

We have received the latest number of the *India Scotsman*, which as usual has a big budget of Scottish news besides a good story.

On Friday the British battleship *Athion* came in from Mirs Bay, on Saturday the German gunboat *Tiger* left for Canton, and yesterday H.M. cruiser *Amphitrite* arrived from Yokohama.

In April last M. de Lanessan reorganized the French naval forces in Far Eastern waters. A decree recently published in the *Journal Officiel* gives the motive for these changes. This appears to be that in distant seas in case of war isolated vessels would not be met with, and that therefore a considerable force would be able to show a proper front.

The Chinese strike at Singapore is over, the coolies having given way. One incident of note marked the close. Sergeant Frey was riding in a riksha to see if all was quiet when a number of coolies rushed up to his riksha shouting "Pah se," translated literally meaning "strike dead." Sergeant Frey at once got out of his riksha and collared one of the men, who was apparently the ringleader, and the rest being cowed by his ready action struck away in haste.

The summary of deaths in the Colony during December shows a total of 622, 31 in the European and foreign community (20 civilians, 5 Army) and 571 in the Chinese community. Chest afflictions accounted for 136 deaths and malarial fever for 73. The death-rates in the principal registration districts were:—British and foreign community, 31.7 per 1,000 per annum; China, Victoria, land 33, harbour 16; England's 124,000, France's 33,000, America's 73,000, and Germany's 22,600. The figures may well fill Germans with earnest apprehension when they recall the official assurance that our interests in the Orient are second only to England's. The Eastern question was not settled when the Powers adjusted their grievances in China."

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The French medal for China which is now about to be struck owes its design to M. Léon Lemoine. The artist on one side places a young and beautiful Republic, not as usual attired in the traditional Phrygian cap, but in a casque crowned with oak. On the reverse side is a device composed of the national flag, an anchor and two canons. In the distance is seen the buildings of the French Legation in Peking, and surrounding all is a crown, half laurel, half oak-leaved, and the inscription "Chine 1901." The island is of the same colour as that of the Tonkin medal, and the clasp is distinctly graceful, being composed of two small Chinese dragons united by a lotus leaf.

The *Russki Izvestia* publishes an order of the Minister of War dwelling upon the importance of having officers acquainted with the local languages among the troops stationed in the Amur territory, and announcing that arrangements have been made at the Oriental Institute in Vladivostock for the instruction of 49 officers in the Chinese, Japanese, Korean, and Mongolian languages, as well as in French and English. The course of instruction will last four years, and 12 officers will be admitted every year in order to study the languages chosen for them by the general in command of the Amur military district. There will be no entrance examination. The officers selected for those courses will receive various privileges and allowances.

Japan's new naval programme is being exploited by the German Navy League as an excuse for a new agitation for the expansion of the Kaiser's fleet. "The financial position of the German Empire," says *Die Presse*, "must not deter us any more than similar conditions deter the Japanese from presenting unceasingly what so vitally concerns the national interest. The latest figures indicate that Japan's naval strength in East Asiatic waters is 164,000 tons, Russia's 155,000, England's 124,000, France's 33,000, America's 73,000, and Germany's 22,600. The figures may well fill Germans with earnest apprehension when they recall the official assurance that our interests in the Orient are second only to England's. The Eastern question was not settled when the Powers adjusted their grievances in China."

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TELEGRAMS.

"DAILY PRESS" SERVICE.

GENERAL NEWS.

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.]

SHANGHAI, 1st February, 11.30 p.m.

"SNIPE'S" BOAT SUNK—FOUR MEN DROWNED.

The river gunboat *Snipe*'s four-oared boat, with Dr. Rowan, was capsized in a blizzard at Kiukiang. The four oarsmen were drowned, but Dr. Rowan was saved by swimming. The boat was lost.

REUTER'S SERVICE.

LONDON, 28th January.

THE FRANCO-SIAMESE TREATY.

The ratification of the Franco-Siamese treaty has been extended to 30th March.

SOUTH AFRICA.

Mr. Chamberlain, who is at Mafeking, met the Cape Governor and authorities, escorted by a party on horseback, on the Transvaal border.

THE SOMALILAND EXPEDITION.

Col. Cobbe, reconnoitring towards Galkayu, the Mullah's headquarters, has encamped at Eumaras.

THE JIBUTIL-HARRAR RAILWAY.

Owing to Lent and an objection to travel in the rainy season, the Emperor Menelik has postponed his visit to Jibutil to the autumn.

SERIOUS RAILWAY ACCIDENT IN AMERICA.

An express train travelling at the rate of sixty miles an hour dashed into the rear of a local train at Graceland, New Jersey. The debris ignited. Twenty-four passengers were killed (of whom sixteen were burned alive) and fifty-two injured.

THE FORTHCOMING BUDGET.

Mr. Ritchie, speaking at the Crystal Palace, said that illusions of a large reduction of taxation in the forthcoming budget must be dispelled, as when the accounts for the South African war compensation were wound up our liabilities would be considerably more than estimated. Nevertheless he believed it would be possible to reduce some taxation.

LONDON, 29th January.

BRITISH SOUTH AFRICA.

The correspondent of the *Standard* at Johannesburg says that from the 1st February there will be one supreme command of the whole military forces, from the Zambezi to the Cape, and that General the Hon. Sir N. Littleton will be the Commander-in-Chief, with headquarters at Pretoria.

LONDON, 29th January.

FRENCH LOAN TO MOROCCO.

The Bank of Paris & Pays Bas has arranged a loan with the Sultan of Morocco for 7,500,000 francs at 6 per cent. interest, guaranteed by the Customs dues. It is believed that the loan is an important diplomatic coup and intended to strengthen French interests and influence.

ILLNESS OF ITALIAN FOREIGN MINISTER.

Sig. Primenti was seized with apoplexy during an audience with King Victor Emanuel to-day. Hope of his recovery are entertained.

LONDON, 30th January.

VENEZUELA.

The blocking Powers have declined to entertain Mr. Bowen's proposal that all claims against Venezuela shall be on an equality with them. Their refusal has caused a deadlock.

SOUTH AFRICA.

Mr. Chamberlain is at Kimberley.

MILITARY APPOINTMENT.

General Sir H. Hildyard has been appointed Director of Military Education and Training.

LONDON, 30th January.

THE SILVER QUESTION.

President Roosevelt has sent a message to Congress with notes from Mexico and China, dwelling on the injury to international trade resulting from fluctuation in silver. The message recommends legislation which will enable the United States to co-operate with gold-standard countries for the purpose of establishing the stability of silver.

DROWNING FATALITY.

James Borrowdale, an employee of the Godown Company at Kowloon, yesterday, in the harbour, fell off a launch on which he and a number of friends were proceeding on a pleasure trip. The launch was immediately stopped and Mr. Borrowdale picked up, but though alive he succumbed soon afterwards, the cause of death, it is believed, being heart failure. The launch steamed back to Hongkong as quickly as possible and medical aid was summoned, but it was quite unavailing. The deceased was about 61 years of age.

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CANTON.

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CANTON, 29th January.

A SEIZURE, AND SOME WILD RUMOURS.

Pursuant to a telegram sent from Hongkong on China New Year's eve, some Chinese officials went with soldiers to Feng Chien, somewhere opposite Shemeen, and discovered in a shop some cases of arms and ammunition; they were marked outside "biscuits." It is said that they were imported by the associates of Kang Yu-wei. The matter was reported to the Viceroy. It is customary to throw open all the city gates on New Year's eve, but His Excellency was afraid that there would be a revolt, and ordered the Southern gate to be closed and locked, and no one was permitted to pass. In consequence, some evil-disposed persons started a rumour, that between 12 and 1 a.m., when all the officials were assembling together in the Temple of Man Sow Kong to worship the Emperor and celebrate the New Year, the rebels would surround the junk, kill the officials, and then march on to Shemeen to murder all foreigners. This being the talk in the city on New Year's eve Capt. Yeung, who is in command of a few hundred soldiers, immediately despatched his men to guard the Canal Road and its vicinity, and some of the military officials ordered their soldiers to patrol about the suburbs of the City all night long.

THEATRE ROYAL.

"HIS EXCELLENCE THE GOVERNOR."

On Saturday the Amateur Dramatic Club gave a second performance of Captain Marshall's play *His Excellency the Governor* before a crowded house, including H.E. Sir Henry Blake and the Government House party and a great number of the most prominent in local and civilian circles. The unanimous verdict of the audience was that the production of

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“A GAIETY GIRL.”

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THERE WILL BE ONLY TWO MATINEES THIS SEASON.
FIRST MATINEE, SATURDAY, 7TH FEBRUARY, AT 3.30 P.M.

“PAUL JONES.”

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DRESS CIRCLE AND STALLS ... \$3.00
PIT ... 1.00
NO HALF PRICE.

The Ticket Office will be open at the Theatre Royal, City Hall, from 10 A.M. to 4 P.M.
E. W. MITCHELL,
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 22nd January, 1903. [318]

AUCTIONS

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to Sell by Public Auction,
FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED,
TO-DAY (MONDAY),
the 2nd FEBRUARY, 1903, at 11 A.M., at
No. 141, PRAYA EAST,
A QUANTITY OF COAL.

TERMS.—As usual.
HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 31st January, 1903. [330]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to Sell by Public Auction,
FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED,
TO-DAY (MONDAY),
the 2nd FEBRUARY, 1903, at 2.30 P.M., at their
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73 Cases MISTELA BLANCA;
and
50 Cases MISTELA CLARET.

These Wines have been analysed chemically by A. Stanley, M.D., D.P.H., and were found to be first-class table wines, and no evidence of fortification by raw spirit nor of the addition of any injurious substance.

TERMS.—As usual.
HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 31st January, 1903. [339]

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Hongkong, 3rd July, 1902. [165]

PUBLIC COMPANIES

THE HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE NINETEENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held in the COMPANY'S OFFICES, No. 14, Des Voeux Road, Victoria, on 7th FEBRUARY, 1903, at 11 A.M., for the purpose of receiving Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Managers for the year ending 31st December, 1902, declaring a Dividend, and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 4th to the 7th FEBRUARY, both days inclusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 26th January, 1903. [304]

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in this Corporation, will be held at the CITY HALL, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 14th day of FEBRUARY next, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1902.

By Order of the Court of Directors,
J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 23rd January, 1903. [348]

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the REGISTER OF SHARES of the Corporation will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the 31st day of January current to the 14th day of February next (both days inclusive) during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Court of Directors,
J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 23rd January, 1903. [349]

CHINA COMMERCIAL COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in this Company, will be held at my OFFICE, No. 36, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 14th day of FEBRUARY, 1903, at 3 P.M., when the abridged Resolution which was passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held on the 28th of January, 1903, will be submitted for confirmation as a Special Resolution:

“That in pursuance of the Special Resolution passed on the 11th day of November, 1902, and confirmed on the 27th day of October, 1902, a Call of Fifty Cents per Share be made upon all holders of Ordinary Shares in the above Company, and the same is hereby made. Such call to be paid to the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, at their Premises, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, Hongkong, on or before the 9th day of February, 1903.”

AND NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that in accordance with Article 24 of the Company's Articles of Association, interest at the rate of \$10 per centum per annum will be charged upon all Calls remaining unpaid after the 9th day of February, 1903, up to the actual dates of payment of the same.

Shareholders are requested to note that, upon presentation at the Office of the Company of the Bankers' Receipt for payment of the Call, and surrender of existing Certificates of the Shares pertaining thereto, new Share Certificates will be issued bearing an endorsement of the payment of the said Call.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
W. KERFOOT HUGHES,
Secretary.

C. EWENS, Manager.

Hongkong, 6th January, 1903. [175]

PUBLIC COMPANIES

THE KOWLOON LAND AND BUILDING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FOURTEENTH ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES, Victoria Building, THIS DAY (MONDAY), the 2nd FEBRUARY, 1903, at 12 o'clock NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the 24th JANUARY, to MONDAY, the 2nd FEBRUARY (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

A. SHELLON HOOPER,
Secretary to the
Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Company, Limited.

General Agents for
The Kowloon Land and Building Company, Limited.

Hongkong, 2nd February, 1903. [30]

BANKS

THE DEUTSCH-ASIATISCHE BANK.

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HEAD OFFICE—SHANGHAI.
BOARD OF DIRECTORS: BERLIN.

BRANCHES:
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INTEREST allowed on Current Account
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learned on application. Every description of
Banking and Exchange business transacted.

H. FIGGE,
Manager.

Hongkong, 4th June, 1902. [12]

BANKS

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA
AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1853.
HEAD OFFICE—LONDON.

CAPITAL PAID-UP ... £1,250,000

RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHARE-
HOLDERS ... £800,000

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INTEREST allowed on Current Account at
the rate of 2% per annum on the Daily balance.
On Fixed Deposits for 12 months 4 per cent

" " 3 " 31 "

" " 3 " 21 "

T. P. COCHRANE,
Acting Manager.

Hongkong, 4th June, 1902. [12]

INTERNATIONAL BANKING CORPORATION

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CHARLES R. SCOTT,
Manager.

Hongkong, 21st January, 1903. [1330]

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AUTHORISED CAPITAL ... £1,500,000

SUBSCRIBED ... 1,125,000

PAID-UP ... 562,500

RESERVE FUND ... 50,000

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the rate of 2% per annum on the Daily balance.

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For 12 months ... 4%

" 3 " 31 "

" 3 " 21 "

TARO HODSUMI,
Manager.

Hongkong, 30th October, 1902. [1478]

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E. F. GROS, Acting Manager.

Hongkong, 1st December, 1902. [1817]

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA LIMITED.

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PAID-UP CAPITAL ... £2,34,37

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

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Hongkong, 31st October, 1902. [26]

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Each house with Five Rooms and good
Servants' Quarters. Rent Moderate.
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COMPRADEORE,
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Corporation.
Hongkong, 31st January, 1903. [387]

TO LET.

GODOWN NO. 32a, PRAYA EAST.
FIRST FLOOR of No. 19, Peel Street.
Apply to—

COMPRADEORE DEPARTMENT.
Nippon Yusen Kaisha.
Hongkong, 29th January, 1903. [381]

TO LET.

THE RETREAT, MOUNT KELLETT.
FLATS in MORETON TERRACE,
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EAST).
HOUSES in LEIGHTON HILL ROAD.
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THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-
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Hongkong, 1st January, 1903. [71]

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S. A. SETH,
Dairy Farm Co., Ltd.
Hongkong, 10th January, 1903. [28]

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KWONG SUNTAI,
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Hongkong, 27th November, 1902. [60]

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A FIVE-ROOMED HOUSE at MOUNTAIN VIEW, PEAK, from 1st April till
31st October.
Apply to—

"Y. Z."
Care of Daily Press Office,
Hongkong, 28th January, 1903. [371]

TO LET.

N. 2, MACDONNELL ROAD, from
1st February.
Nos. 8 and 12, CASTLE ROAD;
No. 40, CAINE ROAD; and
Nos. 7, 9 and 11, ST. MOUR ROAD, with
Immediate Possession.

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FOUR LARGE ROOMS on Ground Floor
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DAVID SASSON & CO., LTD.
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TWO ROOMS above NEW VICTORIA
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Apply to—

LAU CHU-PAK,
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CLAVADEL, at PEAK, with TENNIS
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Hongkong, 29th January, 1903. [306]

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SECOND FLOOR, suitable for Office,
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WING CHEONG.
Hongkong, 7th January, 1903. [184]

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Rooms, Servants' Quarters, Kitchen
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Apply to—

J. D. BARROS,
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Hongkong, 26th November, 1902. [79]

TO LET.

KELLETT SFUR" and "KELLETT
BUNGALOW," MOUNT KELLETT,
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Hongkong, 10th January, 1903. [312]

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Hongkong, 29th January, 1903. [382]

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G. GIRAUT.
Hongkong, 5th January, 1902. [232]

BOARD AND RESIDENCE.

MRS. GILLANDERS,
"GLENWOOD,"
21, CAINE ROAD.
Hongkong, 20th September, 1902. [2516]

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Apply to Mrs. MATHER,
2, Peppermint Hill.
Hongkong, 1st January, 1903. [28]

THE SUPERSTITION OF
SPELLING.

The spelling of a word is still the undisputed authority for its pronunciation with multitudes of honest folk. When they have proved, from the dictionary, that it is expressed in writing by certain characters, argument comes to an end; people who do not pronounce it accordingly must be ignorant, if not vulgar. It would seem to signify that the art of spelling was a revelation vouchsafed to our ancestors, or else that writing is older than speech. They may take choice between these alternatives, but one or other must be the explanation if their view is correct. It is certain that men had been talking for an innumerable space of time before the notion of recording words occurred to any of them; in fact, that discovery is so recent in the case of the Teutonic peoples, that the learned almost fix a date. We need not go into that. The point is that our forefathers had a national system of writing, before the conversion adapted to their speech. If St. Augustine and his missionaries had retained the "Futhorc," as this ancient alphabet was styled, and if it had descended to the present time, many of the worst inconsistencies of our spelling would have been avoided; both propositions are absurd, of course, but they may be admitted "for the sake of argument." The English system of runes was much more copious than any other, because the language was so much more copious in sounds. It had thirty-two characters, which still did not suffice; but at least it met the necessities of the case much better than the twenty-six substituted for it. Philologists recognise thirty-nine sounds in English speech. Of vowels alone it has fifteen, as we used to calculate; but Professor Skeat actually reckons nineteen in his *Science of Language*. And all these have to be expressed somehow, by "a, e, i, o, u," and "y." It is not necessary to look further for the complication of spelling, though many other causes operated. All the Teutonic races have the same difficulty, though in less degree. Gregory of Tours says that the rough Merovingian Chilperic summarily ordered four letters to be added to the Latin alphabet, "and wrote to all the cities of his kingdom that boys should be taught to use them; also that ancient books should be secured with punice-stone and rewritten." What books could these have been—in the Frank language, but Roman characters evidently? An interesting speculation.

There is no law for the pronunciation of purely English words except custom. Until a date almost modern educated persons spelt a word just as the whim of the moment suggested, giving, perhaps, two forms, or even more, in a single page. Mr. Sidney Lee reports that the name of John Shakespeare figures 63 times in the Council Book of Stratford-on-Avon, spelt in 16 different ways. This is good, seeing that John was a member of the Council. But Karl Etze, tracing the family in Warwickshire, discovered no fewer than 53 variations of the spelling, which he gives in his careful volume. Perhaps, "Shakysper," "Shagspeare," "Chaksper," "Shakisper," "Shakesper" are the most remarkable, but there is a fine choice of eccentricities. Nevertheless, all of these pronounced their name alike, assuredly. No one yet has been so bold—one might say impudent—as to assert that he can make out all the five scribbles which William Shakespeare called his signatures; but two of them have been read *tant bien que mal*, with a strong magnifying glass probably. One is "Shakspeare," the other "Shakespeare." It was almost the rule for men to spell their names differently at different times. The compiler of the *Lives of the Lindsays* found so many versions of that honourable patronymic among the signatures and correspondence of the family, that he took to counting them, and found 83. But he who called a Lindsay "out of name" in these days would not have been excused, because the gentleman chose to spell it so. Perhaps the most extraordinary instance of his class was given by a writer in *Notes and Queries* two or three years ago. In tracing the history of Woburn he found 24½ variations of the word. Perhaps the happiest were "W'bun," "W'ho'urn," "Noburn," "Wooborne," "Hawburn." But all these people would have said "Woburn," doubtless, in speaking of the place—if that spelling represents the ancient and ordinary sound, which is by no means to be taken for granted. When the spelling of a simple English word differs from the pronunciation, almost always—if not quite—the former is wrong. One constantly hears ill-educated persons denounce the rustic ignorance which transforms "Banchamp" into "Beecham," and "Beaulieu" into "Bewley." If they turned to any old French book they would find that *beau* was spelt *bau*, and in poetry it made a dissyllable. Thus the man of Warwick who talks of the "Beecham" Chapel, or the Londoner who refers to the "Bewley" Tower, comes much nearer

to the contemporary pronunciation than they do with their modern French. As for Bayley, one village of that name was so called before the Conquest, though "Beecham" afterwards. Probably the Normans corrupted the English, which they did not understand, into a French combination, somewhat resembling it in sound.

Johnson used to declare that the purest English was spoken in Lichfield. He made the assertion in self-defence probably, for fashionable folks in London mocked his pronunciation of "greet" for "great," "breakfast," "Chany" for "China," "tay" for "ten," "Room" for "Rome," and so forth. Elderly people in Staffordshire can recollect these forms in common use when they were young. Some of them were correct beyond dispute, as "tay," "Chany," "Room"—that is, they faithfully preserved the sound of those foreign words. Others as "oblenged" and "poonch" showed what the terms, lately imported, were not yet naturalised. Charles James Fox took great credit to himself as a purist in English. He laid down a number of inexorable rules which must be observed whatever the consequences. One was that if a foreign word had been regularly adopted into English it must be pronounced in the English fashion. Accordingly he decided that Bordeaux wine ought to be called "Bordox" and from the moment of that decision until the end of his life he called it. To return to Johnson's pronunciations, "Great," "breakfast," and that class are instances of the mischief caused by our want of vowel signs, to which allusion has been made. "En" has to serve for a long, as in "great," for a long, as in "feat," "heat," for a short, as in "death," for "u," as in "dearth," besides its proper force, as in "gear," "appear." If one transposed any or all of these pronunciations, as the hapless foreigner is bound to do until thoroughly practised, it could not be said that he violated any principle. The law is custom-only. This "handicap" the young Briton terribly. It has been asserted that our children waste two or three years in learning to spell, whilst foreign rivals mostly can acquire all they need in a few months. But there is no remedy now. If the "phonetic system" had been introduced when the "Futhorc" was dropped, it would have been a blessing unequalled. Then Shakespeare, Addison, Macaulay, Dickens would have used it. The hideous things would have been familiar, and hideous no more. In itself it does not offend the eye more than Magyar or Czech, for example, which we survey with pleased curiosity when we chance to meet with them. But a page of a favourite author in "phonetic" is an outrage and an insult. He would grasp all the horror of it should he look through the works of Max Muller. In one of those learned volumes he drops into a panegyric of the system. One reads on placidly, supposing that the *saint* will get to business soon. But over-leap he suddenly adopts the system himself, and goes on with it to the end of the book! And there are a good many pages. What may be in them few readers could say, we suspect—for most of them throw down the volume in disgust.

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SECTION.

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2. From Harbour Master's to Blake Pier.

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LONDON & ANTWERP, VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	MANILA	Brit. str.	R. A. Peters	P. & O. S. N. Co.	To-morrow, at Noon.	
LONDON	TELEMACHUS	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 7th inst.	
LONDON	PROMETHEUS	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 17th inst.	
LONDON	DIONED	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 3rd March.	
LONDON	MACHAON	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 17th March.	
LONDON	GLAUCUS	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 31st March.	
LONDON	DANDANUS	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 29th inst.	
LIVERPOOL	KINTUCK	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 29th March.	
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, V. S'PORE, &c.	TAMIA MARU	Jap. str.	J. W. Wade	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 7th inst., at Daylight.	
MARSEILLES, &c. via PORTS OF CALL	SALAZIE	Fret. str.	Albert	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	On 9th inst., at 1 P.M.	
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, V. S'PORE, &c.	S. NUKI MARU	Jap. str.	W. Townsend	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 21st inst., at Daylight.	
BREMEN, via PORTS OF CALL	DAIMSTADT	Gor. str.	G. Minors	MELCHERS & CO.	On 4th inst., at Noon.	
HAVRE & HAMBURG	AMBIA	Gor. str.	Duckstein	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	To-morrow.	
HAVRE & HAMBURG	WURKURG	Gor. str.	v. Binsz	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 10th inst.	
HAVRE & HAMBURG	C. FERD. LAEISZ	Gor. str.	Fuchs	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 26th inst.	
HAVRE & HAMBURG	BAMBERG	Gor. str.	Kirchner	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 10th March.	
HAVRE & HAMBURG	ANDALUSIA	Gor. str.	von Doehren	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 7th April.	
HAVRE & HAMBURG	KONGSBERG	Gor. str.	Mayer	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 21st April.	
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SAMIA	Gor. str.	Schmidt	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On or about 2nd inst.	
HAVRE & HAMBURG	BENJEDI	Brit. str.	Clark	GIBR. LIVINGSTON & CO.	On 28th inst.	
GENOA & LONDON	PYRRHUS	Brit. str.	Colledani	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 17th inst., P.M.	
GENOA, M. ARSEILLES & ANTWERP	AUSTRIA	Amer. str.		SANDER, WIELER & CO.	About 4th inst.	
TRIESTE &c. via SINGAPORE, &c.	HINDUSTAN	Brit. str.	DODWELL & CO. LTD.	On or about 10th inst.		
NEW YORK, via PORTS & SUEZ CANAL	INDRADEO	Brit. str.	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.	On or about 14th inst.		
NEW YORK via SUEZ CANAL	GERALTAIR	Brit. str.	D. Morris	SHENWAN, TOME & CO.	On 11th inst., at Noon.	
VANCOUVER, via SHANGHAI, &c.	EMPEROR OF INDIA	Brit. str.		CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 25th inst.	
VANCOUVER, via SHANGHAI, &c.	TARTAR	Brit. str.		CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 7th inst.	
VICOBIA (B.C.) & SEATTLE via SHANGHAI, &c.	PLASIDES	Brit. str.	F. G. Purinton	DODWELL & CO. LIMITED	On 10th inst., at 4 P.M.	
VICOBIA (B.C.) & SEATTLE via NAGASAKI, &c.	RIOTON MARU	Jan. str.	N. Ohio	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 21st inst.	
VICOBIA (B.C.) & SEATTLE via SHANGHAI, &c.	IYO MARU	Brit. str.	C. H. Butler	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 24th inst., at 4 P.M.	
PORTLAND, OREGON	INDRADEO	Brit. str.	Hollingsworth	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 25th inst.	
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	AUSTRALIAN	Brit. str.	Holms	PORTLAND & ARTIC S.S. CO.	On 5th inst., at Noon.	
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	TSINAN	Brit. str.	H. Fraser	GIBR. LIVINGSTON & CO.	On 16th inst.	
YOKOHAMA, via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, &c.	KASUWA MARU	Jan. str.	C. L. W. Field	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 27th inst., at 4 P.M.	
YOKOHAMA, via SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBE	MALTA	Brit. str.	E. G. Andrews	P. & O. S. N. CO.	On or about 1st inst.	
MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	CANADA	Brit. str.	T. Murai	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 24th inst., at Noon.	
KOBE & YOKOHAMA	BOMI MARU	Jap. str.	H. Peterson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 11th inst.	
KOBE & YOKOHAMA	CHANGSHA	Jap. str.	W. Bainbridge	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 13th inst., at Daylight.	
KAMAKURA MARU	INABA MARU	Jap. str.	E. W. Haswell	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 27th inst., at Daylight.	
KUMANO MARU	TIENTSIN	Jap. str.	W. W. Cooke, E.N.R.	P. & O. S. N. CO.	On 27th inst., at Noon.	
DAIGI MARU	MAIZURO MARU	Jap. str.	T. W. Groves	OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA	On or about 6th inst.	
HAICHING	HAICHING	Brit. str.	T. Saito	OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA	On 8th inst.	
KAI ONG	KAI ONG	Brit. str.	Hodges	DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO.	On 4th inst.	
LOONGKANG	LOONGKANG	Brit. str.	Weigall	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-morrow, at 10 A.M.	
ROHILLA MARU	DIAMANTE	Jan. str.	E. P. Bishop	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.	On 17th inst.	
DIAMANTE	T. DE LA RAMA	Brit. str.	A. H. Notley	TOYOKIEN KAISHA	To-morrow, at 4 P.M.	
ZAFIRO	KWEITYANG	Brit. str.	F. Such	SHENWAN, TOME & CO.	To-morrow, at Noon.	
SUNGKANG	TSINAN	Brit. str.	R. Redgor	HIJOS DE LA DE LA RAMA	On 5th inst., at 4 P.M.	
TSINAN	LIGHTNING	Brit. str.	J. G. Spence	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 6th inst.	
KAGOSHIMA MARU		Jap. str.	K. Kori	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 6th inst., at Noon.	

SHIPPING.

HAIPHONG, French str., for Haiphong.
HIPSAG, British str., for Canton.
LYEEMON, German str., for Canton.

ARRIVALS.

Jan. 30, HONGKONG, French str., 728, Passager.
Haiphong 28th January, General—A. R. MARTY.

Jan. 30, M. A. THERESA MARU, Japanese str., 667, T. Saifoo, Arrived, Amoy and Swatow 29th January, General—O. S. KAISHA.

Jan. 30, HOKULEA MARU, Japanese str., 2,399, F. P. Bishop, Manila 28th Jan., General—

TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

Jan. 30, SAYON, German steamer, 1,621, H. Beldebrand, Vladivostock and Moji 25th Jan., Coal—HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.

Jan. 30, A. THERESA, British battlehip, 12,950, T. Al. M. J. Evans, Trincomalee.

Jan. 31, BRUNSWICK, German str., 857, S. S. Sandakan 26th January, Tinbler and General—F. D. SANDER, W. DEHLER & CO.

Jan. 31, CHINA, German str., 1,138, Krusche, Samoan 19th January, Suez—East ASIAN TRADING CO.

Jan. 31, C. ALICE, German str., 863, T. Peterson, Haiphong 28th January, General—J. J. CO.

Jan. 31, KARIBIA, German str., 985, H. Lechner, London 25th Jan., Rice and Flour—C. CO. & CO.

Jan. 31, KANGAROO, Chinese str., 1,467, R. Liang, Shanghai 27th Jan., General—

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Jan. 31, LYEEMON, German str., 1,278, Th. Lehmann, Shanghai 28th Jan., General—S. CO.

Jan. 31, MARIA, British str., 3,916, Claude L. W. Field, London 24th Dec., Mails and General—P. & O. S. N. CO.

Jan. 31, NAVY, NO. GERMAN str., 1,009, E. Heng, Wusung and Hankow 28th Jan., Rice and Groundnuts—A. TRADING CO.

Jan. 31, ROSSIA, Russian steamer, 1,574, G. Stevns, Moji 25th January, Coals—E. A. TRADING CO.

Jan. 31, SU CIKANG, British str., 1,021, A. W. Outerbridge, Manila 28th January, General—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Jan. 31, TSURUGI MARU, Jap. str., 2,500, I. Narasaki, Moji 25th Jan., Coal and Cement—M. E. KAISHA.

Feb. 1, AMPHITHEA, British cruiser, 11,000, G. Windham C. V. CO., Yokohama 25th Jan.

Feb. 1, A. PRO, British str., 966, J. Kynoch, Moji 28th Jan., Coal—HEADLEY & CO.

Feb. 1, BENEDICT, British str., 1,481, David Clark, Shanghai 29th Jan., General—

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Feb. 1, COPTIC, British str., 2,747, F. E. Bladell, San Francisco 26th Jan., Mails and General—P. & O. S. C. CO.

Feb. 1, GOODWIN, British str., 4,421, L. McLean, Weihaiwei 27th Jan., Ballast—DOWELL & CO. LTD.

Feb. 1, HANXIAN, British str., 1,207, Jameson, Wan 28th Jan., General—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Feb. 1, MANIA, British steamer, 2,712, R. A. Peter, Shanghai 29th January, General—P. & O. S. N. CO.

CLEARANCES.

AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE.

31st January.

Aping Maru, Japanese str., for Swatow.

Bendouch, British str., for Shanghai.

Doiun Maru, Japanese str., for Swatow.

Heilong, British str., for Amoy.

Haiphong, French str., for Haiphong.

Hikosan Maru, Japanese str., for Kuchintown.

Hipang, British str., for Canton.

Lyemmon, German str., for Canton.

DEPARTURES.

31st January.

CHANGCHOW, British str., for Canton.

CHUEAN, British str., for Europe.

FOOCHOW, British str., for Canton.

KWANGTZE, Chinese str., for Canton.

PACTING, British str., for Canton.

PEBLA, British str., for Canton.

SULLBURG, German str., for Canton.

TIGER, German gunboat, for Canton.

First February.

ANPING MARU, Japanese str., for Swatow.

BENCLUEH, British str., for Shanghai.

DAIJIN MARU, Japanese str., for Swatow.

HAILOOKO, British str., for Swatow.

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GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"MACHAON"	On 11th February.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"ACHILLES"	On 19th February.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"KINTUCK"	On 5th February.

HOMEWARDS.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
LONDON	"TELEMACHUS"	On 7th February.
LONDON	"PROMETHEUS"	On 17th February.
LONDON	"DIOMED"	On 3rd March.
LONDON	"MACHAON"	On 17th March.
LONDON	"LAUCUS"	On 31st March.

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Hongkong, 2nd January, 1903. [10-12]

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KOBE and YOKOHAMA	"CHANGSHA"	On 11th February.
MANILA	"SUNGKING"	On 12th February.
PORTE DARWIN, THURSDAY	"TSINAN"	On 16th February.
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Hongkong, 24th January, 1903. [11]

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Hongkong, 29th January, 1903. [17]

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Hongkong, 29th January, 1903.

T. ARIMA, Manager. [15]

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Hongkong, 8th January, 1903. [18]

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Hongkong, 6th August, 1897. [8]

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Hongkong, 17th January, 1903. [203]

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Hongkong, 14th January, 1903. [204]

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G. DE CHAMPEAUX,

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Hongkong, 28th January, 1903. [205]

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